



Open Data and the USGS Science Data Catalog

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Goals

- 1. Complete the Science Data Lifecycle!!!!
- 2. What is Open Data?
- 3. U.S. gov actions, requirements for Open Data
- 4. Implementation at USGS and beyond
 - a. Overview, history of USGS Science Data Catalog (SDC), pathways to data.doi.gov, data.gov, and the Geospatial Platform
 - b. Revamped Science Data Catalog, late 2015
- 5. Future plans and goals related to Open Data





What is Open Data?

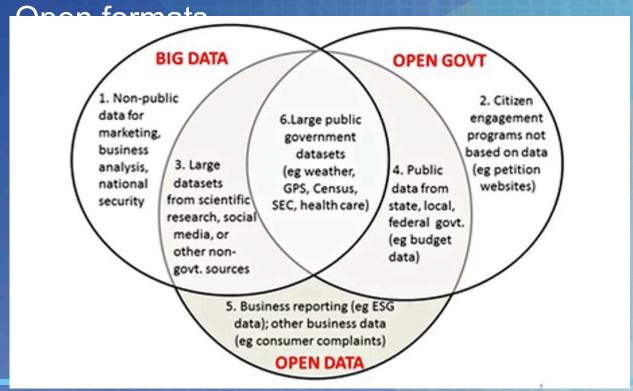
- * How does it differ from "regular data"?
 - Open formats
 - * Licenses
 - * Collaboration
 - * Machine interaction
 - * Semanticyness
 - * Branding





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Background & Drivers...

- 1. On May 9, 2013, the White House released the Executive Order, "Making Open and Machine Readable the New Default for Government." This Order, built upon an earlier interagency memorandum released by the OSTP, was accompanied by an OMB Policy requiring:
 - Inventory of Data
 - Public Data Listing
 - □ data.doi.gov
 - □ data.gov
 - Project Open Data: https://project-open-data.cio.gov/
- 2. USGS Science Data Management activities
 - Data Management Instructional Memoranda
 - Community for Data Integration
 - Moving toward a "science data life cycle approach" in USGS
 - Implementation of USGS Science Strategy Plans







Open Government

- The Open Government Directive of December 2009 focuses on transparency, participation, and collaboration
- Objectives:
 - Publish government information online
 - Improve the quality of information
 - Education and culture alignment
 - Create a policy framework for Open Government









The Digital Strategy

On May 23, 2012 the Administration published "Digital"

Government: Building a 21st Century

Serve the American People"

- Built on four guiding principles:
 - □ Information-Centric
 - Shared Platform
 - Customer-Centric
 - Security and Privacy







Digital Gov. Strategy Principles

- 1. An "*Information-Centric*" approach—Moves us from managing "documents" to managing discrete pieces of open data and content which can be tagged, shared, secured, mashed up and presented in the way that is most useful for the consumer of that information.
- 2. A "Shared Platform" approach—Helps us work together, both within and across agencies, to reduce costs, streamline development, apply consistent standards, and ensure consistency in how we create and deliver information.
- 3. A "Customer-Centric" approach—Influences how we create, manage, and present data through websites, mobile applications, raw data sets, and other modes of delivery, and allows customers to shape, share and consume information, whenever and however they want it.
- 4. A platform of "Security and Privacy"—Ensures this innovation happens in a way that ensures the safe and secure delivery and use of digital services to protect information and privacy.



Drivers (cont...)

- Open Data Action Plan
- Inclusion in quarterly "Cross Agency Priority" (CAP) goals
- * Interagency Working Groups
- * Policy Teams
- * FOIA Requests
- * Lobbying
- * Etc....





Focused Open Data Initiatives

- * "Button" projects
 - Green Button--energy usage, http://www.greenbuttondata.org/
 - * Blue Button--health records, https://www.healthit.gov/patients-families/your-health-data
- * Focused sites:
 - College matching/data: https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/
 - * National Climate Assessment: http://www.globalchange.gov/browse/datasets
- Data.gov Communities
- Geospatial Platform Communities
 - National Geospatial Data Assets (NGDA)







Engaging the Public

* Data Jam

* A closed-press, day-long ideation event with developers, designers, and subject matter experts focused on one topic and top related open data sets. Several are held in succession, leading up to a datapalooza three months later. Ex: Health Data jam (HHS), 21st Century Jobs Jam (OVP, Commerce, OSTP), Mitigating Campus Sexual Assault (Department of Education, Department of Justice)

* Datapalooza

* An open press celebration, demo day, and platform to announce government open data releases or improvements. Ex: Safety Datapalooza (DOT, CPSC, FDA.)

* Hackathon

- * An event where developers, designers, and strategists work in teams to solve problems with software and/or hardware and demo the resulting work at the end of the day.Ex: White House "We The People" API Hackathon, The American Art API Hackathon
- * "Sunshine Week": http://sunshineweek.rofp.org/ et al.
- * Challenges
 - * "App-lifying USGS Data"
 - * Climate Resilience Data
 - etc. https://www.data.gov/climate/climate-challenges





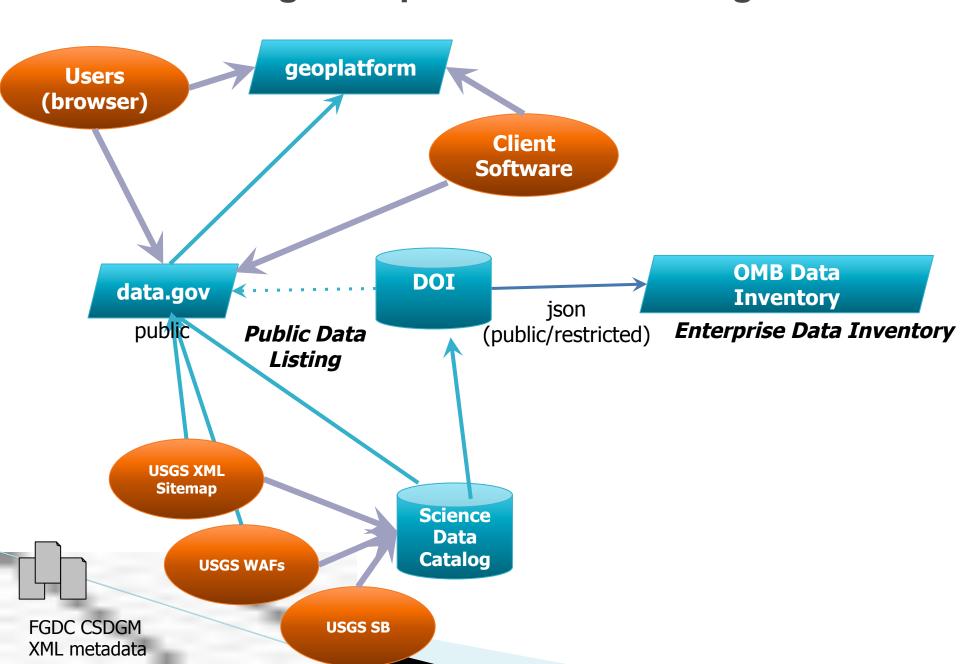
What is the USGS Science Data Catalog (SDC)?

- 1. Single point for USGS to provide its metadata to data.doi.gov, data.gov, OMB, geoplatform etc.
- 2. Organizes USGS data
- 3. Meets Open Data requirements for USGS
- 4. Provides metadata retrieval, visualization, download, & links back to original providers
- 5. Focus on scientific data





Data Publishing for Open Data and data.gov



2014-2015 SDC Development

- Original version of SDC developed late 2013, launched early 2014
 - * ~3500 initial records
- Integrated new data sources from several centers
- * Priority datasets:
 - National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA)
 - Big Earth Data Initiative (BEDI)
 - * Data.gov communities





2014-2015 SDC Development

U.S. Geological Survey Science Data Catalog A Catalog Home | Q Search the Catalog | Browse by Topic | Dashboard Login | In Reports | Developer Resources | About Data Search Limit search by location (Current Selection(s): 3959 Results Found All Catalog Holdings < 1 2 3 ... 395 396 > Filter By: Displaying 1 to 10 of 3959 geoscientificinformation (2132) inlandwaters (1224) Atlantic Offshore Seabird Dataset Catalog cmgp (1220) coastal and marine geology program (1218) Data Source: Patuxent Wildlife Research Center oceans (1138) Mission Area: Ecosystems oceans and estuaries (945) Several bureaus within the Department of Interior compiled available information from seabird observation datasets from the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf into a single geology (941) database, with the goal of co more oceans and coastal (884) Metadata Completeness: environment (735) imagerybasemapsearthcover (607) marine geology (530) woods hole science center (508) North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) geospatial datasets (468) geophysics (461) Data Source: Patuxent Wildlife Research Center aeromagnetic data (455) The North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS), which is coordinated by the Biological Resources Division and Canadian Wildlife Service, is a primary source of population trend and distribution informa more USGS Mission Area Metadata Completeness: Natural Hazards (1475) Water (1102) 1114111 Energy and Minerals (1006) Core Science Systems (257) Ecosystems (119) Mineral Resources Data System Data Source Data Source: Mineral Resources On-Line Spatial Data Coastal Map (1154) Mission Area: Energy and Minerals Water Node for National Spatial Data Infrastructure (1101) Mineral resource occurrence data covering the world, most thoroughly within the U.S. This database contains the records previously provided in the Mineral Resource USGS Energy Data Finder (505) Data System (MRDS) of USGS and the more Mineral Resources On-Line Spatial Data (501) Metadata Completeness: Coastal and Marine Geoscience Data System (320) 1111111 National Wetlands Research Center (82) Patuxent Wildlife Research Center (36) USGS Water Data for the Nation Core Science Analytics and Synthesis (10) Data Preservation, Informatics, and Laboratories (3) Data Source: National Water Information System National Geospatial Program collection for the Science Data Catalog (2) Mission Area: Water USGS Libraries Program (2) These pages provide access to water-resources data collected at approximately 1.5 million sites in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Earthquake Hazards Program (1) Guam, American Samoa an more National Water Information System (1) Metadata Completeness: USA National Phenology Network (NPN) (1) VVXXXVV Scientist U.S. Geological Survey, Department of Interior and the National Geophysical Data Center, NOAA (452) Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS) Comprehensive Catalog National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (115) Coastal and Marine Geology Program (98) Data Source: Earthquake Hazards Program

Mission Area: Natural Hazards

(e.g. moment tensor solutions, macroseismic more

The ANSS Comprehensive Catalog (ComCat) contains earthquake source parameters (e.g. hypocenters, magnitudes, phase picks and amplitudes) and other products

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Featured Dataset

Dates: Begin Date: 12/31/1905

Dates: End Date: 12/31/2008

html (1) View Metadata

Dates: Begin Date: 12/31/1965

Dates: End Date: Present

Dates: Begin Date: 12/31/1971

Dates: Begin Date: 12/30/1799

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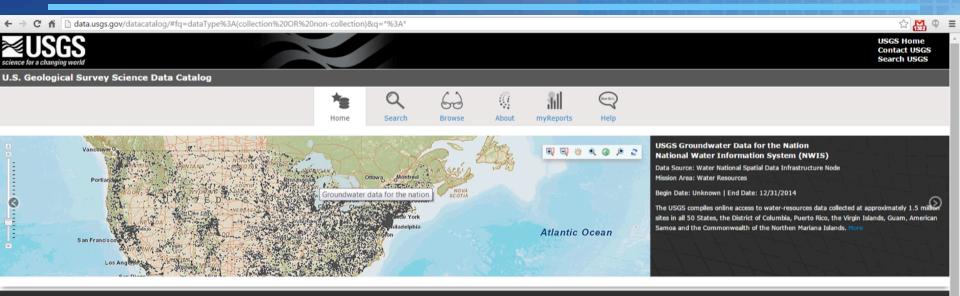
2015-2016 SDC Redesign

- Goals:
 - Accommodate growth in Catalog (>doubling)
 - USGS Data Management IMs/Policies
 - Browse functionality
 - Improve highlighting of records
 - Incorporate large collections
 - Usability, look and feel
 - Testing at UT usability lab
 - Visualizing data
 - Capturing harvest history and reporting





2015-2016 SDC Redesign



Your source for open data within USGS

The USGS Science Data Catalog provides seamless access to USGS research and monitoring data from across the nation. Users have the ability to search, browse, or use a map-based

Frequently Accessed USGS Data



The National Map





Earthquakes Hazards Program



Currently Highlighted USGS Data



Biodiversity Information Serving Our Nation





South Florida Hydrology



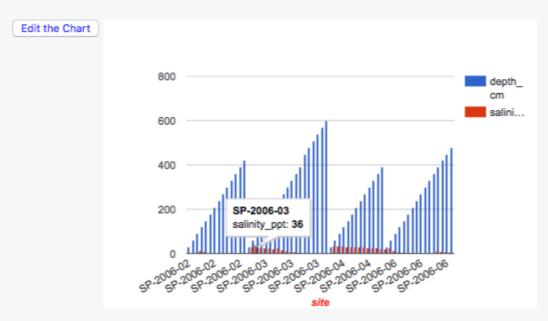


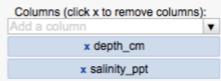
interface to discover data.



Visualization

Comma-delimited Text File of the Porewater Salinity Values of Cores Collected August, 2006 in the Nauset Marsh Area of Cape Cod, Massachusetts









Open Data Throughout the Government

- https://data.commerce.gov/
- https://data.nasa.gov/, https://open.nasa.gov/open-data/, https://api.nasa.gov/
- https://data.nal.usda.gov/
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Life Cycle Assessment

Long Term Agroecosystem Research

Veterinary Pest Genomics Center

Actions

Access all Datasets

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Highlighted Datasets



Nutrient and herbicide concentrations, loads, and daily discharge data for caves in the Goodwater Creek Experimental Watershed, a





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News

11/12/15: USDA to Host Listening Sessions on Public Access to Scholarly Publications and Digital



USDA will be conducting a virtual listening session to solicit input on policies for public access to federally funded USDA will be conducting a virtual listening session to solicit imput on pointies for particular interest to stakeholders who have an interest agricultural research data. The listening sessions should be of particular interest to stakeholders who have an interest in Ag Data Commons and other projects.

10/22/15: Ag Data Commons is live!



From the National Agricultural Library Weekly Report (October 20, 2015): "NAL's Ag Data Commons launches improved prototype site. NAL's Knowledge Services Division launched the latest beta version of the Ag Data Commons at https://data.nal.usda.gov.

10/1/15: 104 LTAR datasets now on Ag Data Commons





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Open Data

Explore With Us Data Stories

Innovation Space

Open Data

We hope to spark your creative juices and equip you with data sets and tools to solve looming challenges here on Earth using NASA data, tools, and resources



We're Setting Data, Code and APIs free











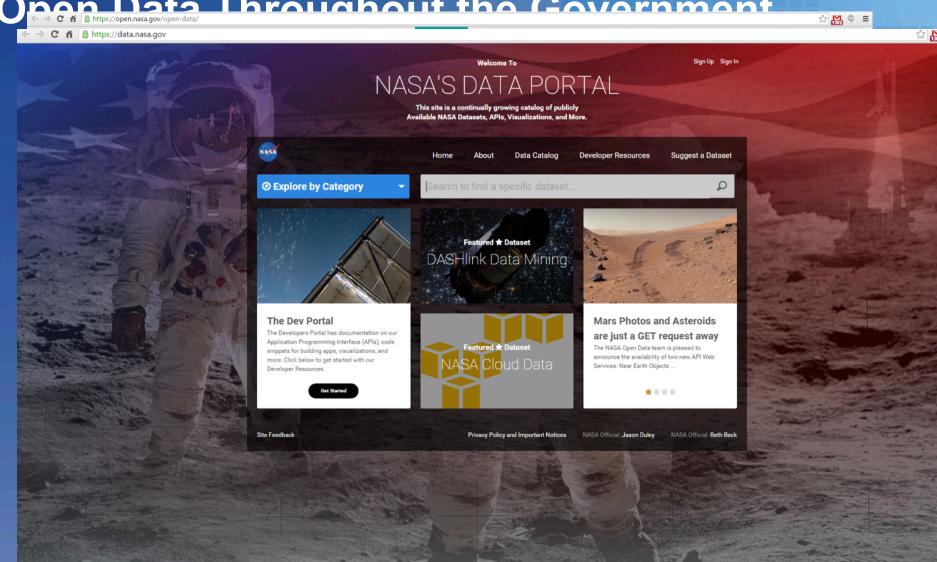






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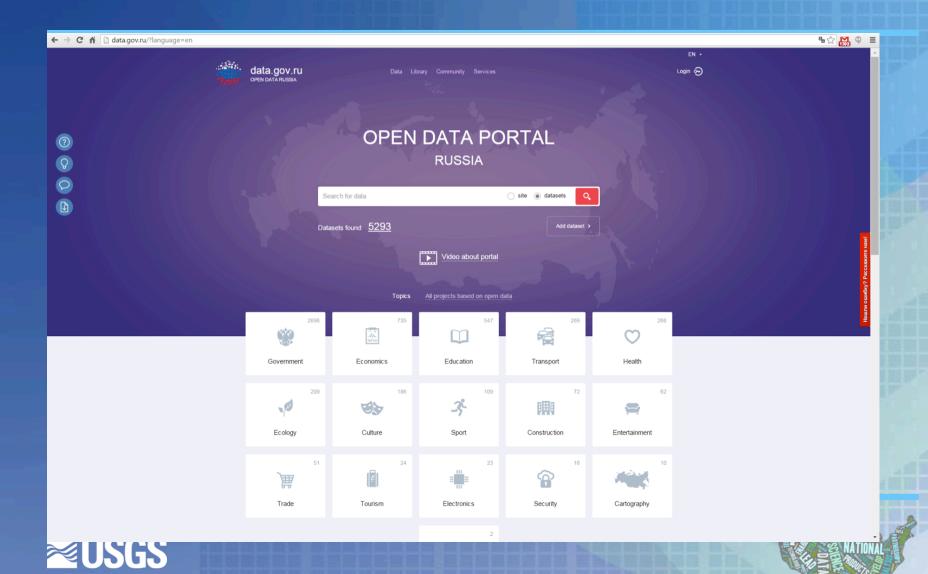


Future of Open Data

- ++ Technology
- + More and more .gov Open Data sites, growing support for concept
- +/- Increasing collaboration w/private industry
- +/- Growing power of outside interest groups, lobbyists
- ----- Funding challenges--unfunded mandates
- -/+ Institutional culture



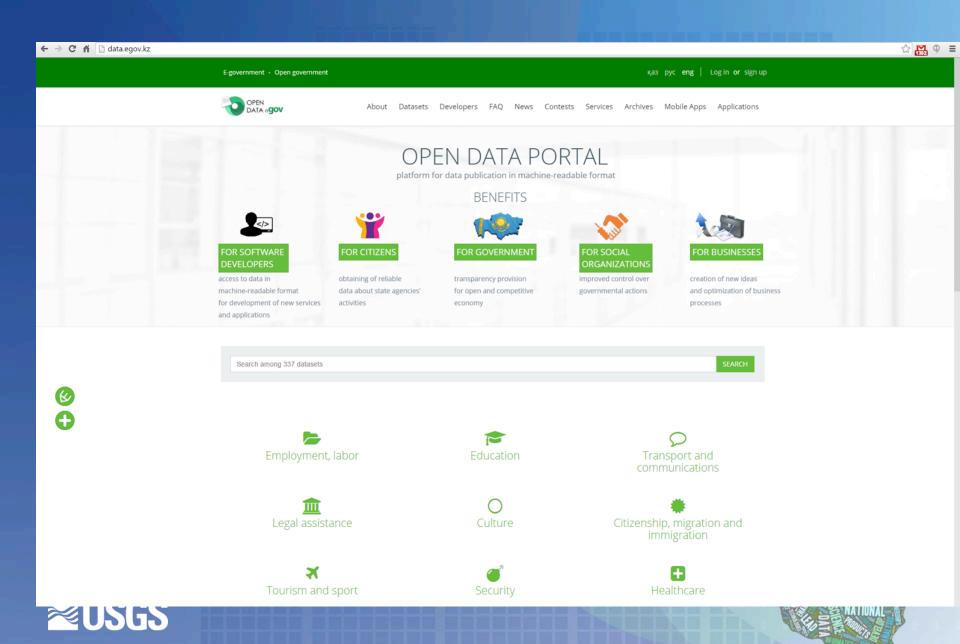












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